

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4988

INFO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR

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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: PGOV, PINT, NU

SUBJECT: ELECTIONS 1974: HALF OF BALLOTS COUNTED

REF: MANAGUA 3409

1. WITH VOTES FROM ABOUT HALF THE ELECTORAL DISTRICTS COUNTED, AS OF 6:00 PM SEPTEMBER 4, OFFICIAL ELECTION RETURNS SHOWED GENERAL SOMOZA'S LIBERAL PARTY (PLN) LEADING BY 361,470 VOTES TO EDMUNDO PAGUAGA'S CONSERVATIVE PARTY'S 18,209. APPROXIMATELY 20 TO 1 ADVANTAGE FOR SOMOZA PERSISTS, AND EMBASSY EXPECTS THIS TO BE THE APPROXIMATE FINAL RATIO.

2. TALLY OF VOTES PRESENTLY BEING TAKEN IS FROM TELEGRAMS SENT BY THE SOME 2,700 ELECTORAL BOARDS SCATTERED ALL OVER THE COUNTRY. AFTER THE FINAL COUNT FROM THE TELEGRAPHICALLY REPORTED RESULTS IS COMPLETED, THE SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL WILL THEN REVIEW THE ACTUAL BALLOTS WHICH ARE NOW IN THE PROCESS OF BEING

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TRANSPORTED TO MANAGUA. THE FINAL OFFICIAL RESULTS OF THE ELECTION

WILL THEN BE MADE AFTER THAT REVIEW IS COMPLETED. THIS IS  
EXPECTED TO TAKE WEEKS.  
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